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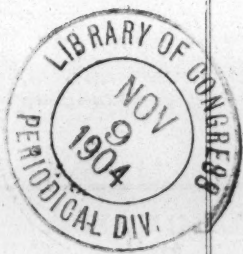
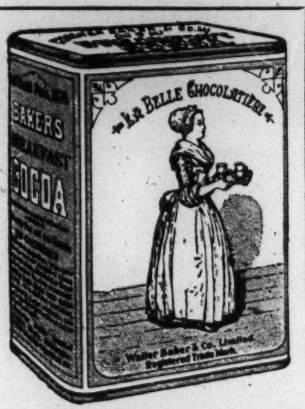


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Editorial.

NOVEMBER days have come apace with their red and golden leaves and the promise of winter frosts and leafless boughs. Now is the time to think of preparing for summer shade and leafy bower.

The third Friday in November (Nov. 18th) is Arbor Day in South Carolina and Club Women are urged to apply to the Chairman of the Civics Department of the S. C. Federation of Women's Clubs, Miss Mary Waterhouse, Beaufort, S. C., for her charming little leaflet on "Arbor Day Celebration." It will be found helpful and suggestive. Those of us who wandered through the various State and foreign exhibits at the St. Louis Fair must have been impressed again and again with the important place the woods of a country took in its display of valuable resources. Then, too, the scientific charts, plans and pictures in connection with the German Exhibit of Forestry were most suggestive and instructive. Beautiful woods are a great natural resource of a country, and no country can keep up an unlimited supply of such resources without much care and consideration from its inhabitants. And this appreciation and care for the woods of one's native country is what is being aimed at by all organizations who are enjoying the celebration of Arbor Day in every State and territory of this broad land of ours.

OCTOBER was a month full of unusual activity for the United Daughters of the Confederacy generally. Their Annual Meeting in St. Louis on October 4-8th was a most successful occasion. A full account of which meeting appears in this issue of *The Keystone*. The Kentucky Division U. D. C. met in Paducah on October 12th-14th. The Virginia Division at Petersburg on October 24th-26th, and the North Carolina Division at Goldsboro on October 26th-28th. On each occasion the effort was for Truth and Patriotism, and the women who attended these meetings are better women for putting forth their mental and moral force in behalf of the uplifting of the environment that is theirs. Love of country is a sublime sentiment and its glow in the heart will drive out much that is base and low in human nature. Blessed and thrice blessed are those people who can keep it alive by the glorious inheritance of noble forbears! The valor and sacrifices of a past generation are splendid material by which the fires of patriotism may be fed.

In connection with the celebration and meetings of all patriotic societies it is well to bear in mind the fact that these forces which tend to preserve for posterity the memory of the great and good of our land are in reality mighty conservers of the public good for the upbuilding of future American citizenship.

EACH year as Women's Conventions grow more frequent and the attendance grows larger, one is impressed with the necessity for women generally to train themselves in clear and distinct speaking if they would be heard in these assemblies, for the finest rhetoric or the strongest logic is lost on an audience that does not hear the speaker. Too often women are careless in their enunciation, and while one does not wish *elocutionary* effects in a meeting one should certainly expect clear, distinct tones from those addressing an assembly.

The fault of indistinct enunciation is not confined to any one section of the country, and is often contracted in the school room and clings to one through life, but Southern women naturally have good, clear carrying voices and there is no reason why these voices should not be of use and pleasure in making our meetings more satisfactory for the reason that all business discussed could be clearly heard by delegate and onlooker alike.

If in our smaller gatherings we take pains with our methods of expression the habit would grow on us and our larger meetings would be the gainers thereby. We need not fear being led off, away from the time-honored "low sweet voice," for clearness and distinctness of speech need never interfere with the sweetness and charm of a voice. If our women speak in large assemblies let them learn to speak so that all who should hear them can enjoy that opportunity without effort and with a certain degree of pleasure.

THE South Carolina Daughters of the Confederacy will hold their Ninth Annual Convention in Orangeburg, on Nov. 29th to Dec. 1st. Every indication points to a large and successful convention, and the Orangeburg hostesses are doing everything to make the Convention a charming one in a social way. The South Carolina Division U. D. C., while not among the largest of the State Divisions U. D. C., is one of the most perfectly organized, and has held its own along all lines of U. D. C. endeavor.

These true Daughters of the Palmetto State are ever active in good works and patriotic undertakings and they have always received the heartiest support of the State at large. These meetings are a source of much pleasure and benefit to the women attending, and the Orangeburg meeting promises to sustain the high standard of interest set by previous meetings.

DAY by day we build our characters and without being conscious of it day by day those characters are writing their imprint on our faces. How often in a crowd does one look around and is impressed by the many shades of temperament and disposition traced on the faces of old and young; on plain and beautiful faces. How easy it is to note the narrow selfish life or the broad and sympathetic one by the curve of the lips, in the bending of the brows or the light in the eyes of even the passing stranger. Truly we are writing our characters on our bodies and we should see to it that they are round and full and noble. Life is full of weary days for so many that great is the refreshment to these weary ones when chance brings in their way in outward semblance those broad, noble natures who seem to radiate peace and good will as they tread life's highways and byways.

AS *The Keystone* goes to press we learn from Miss Claytor Candler, the Secretary of the North Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs, that owing to an epidemic of diphtheria in Goldsboro, the annual convention of the North Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs is indefinitely postponed. The sympathy of all clubwomen goes out to the community of Goldsboro, and it is hoped that the delay caused by the misfortunes of the clubwomen of Goldsboro will not affect the interest and earnestness of the clubwomen of North Carolina in the coming year.

OFFICIAL CLUB NEWS.

For the State Federations of Women's Clubs of South Carolina, Mississippi, North Carolina and Florida.
(This Department is official and will be continued monthly.)

SOUTH CAROLINA FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS,

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68 Clubs—2,500 Members.

THE *Keystone* has received through Mrs. Fant, the President of the Civic Association of Anderson, a photograph of the Plaza as beautified by that Association which was organized April, 1904. The photograph taken September 15th shows banana and canna plants from 10 to 18 feet high, and the effect of this foliage around the Confederate Monument is very charming. This plaza is about 100x300 feet, and had been used as a public road. However, through the energy and care of these true citizens it now is a spot of beauty with one hundred plants to brighten the once bare and arid town square.

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MISS BERTIE DULIN, teacher of the school at Barnes, Leake Co., Miss., is exceedingly anxious for a set of books for the children of her school to read. If any of the clubs would send her only a few children's books, they could be used afterward as a traveling library by our State Chairman. She says she would be glad for even a few books.

MISSISSIPPI has just cause to feel grateful for, as well as proud of her President of the Federation of Clubs.

A sketch of the life of Mrs. Robert E. Jones, be it ever so meager, could not be given that did not naturally divide itself in three heads; for her triune nature is always evident to those who know her best.

Her beautiful home life is one of these predominant characteristics. She lives in Crystal Springs, where her husband is a prominent, cultured, Christian physician. Their home is charming within and without; but its most attractive element is its air of perfect home-likeness. No guest enters its portals without feeling conscious in some intangible manner of being in a heaven-built home.

But one cannot associate with Mrs. Jones a great while without realizing that she is an ardent Club-woman as well as an elegant home-maker. One realizes, too, that she is better for being a club-woman, as all clubdom is made better by having her as a member.

She was the originator and chief organizer of the Floral and Literary Club of her town—one of the best known clubs in the State. It was her love for the beautiful that first suggested to her its organization. With the idea of helping some one else uppermost in her heart and brain, she began to execute. She is President of the Federation to-day largely through this idea—"helping some one else"—which constitutes the mainspring of her life.

But it is of Mrs. Jones's motherhood that one always feels most like speaking. She springs from a family of the most motherly mothers I have ever known, and she has not fallen behind one of them in this grandest capacity of a woman's life. Hence it is no marvel that her children and her neighbor's children rise up and call her blessed.

In truth, we have cause to feel grateful for and proud of our President.

Clinton, Miss.

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THE Twentieth Century Club of Kosciusko is proud to claim the three charter members of the Delta Gamma fraternity, whose hundreds of members are now scattered over the country, from Baltimore to Palo Alto.

This girls' club was organized in 1874, at the Oxford Institute, by Eva Webb, Mary Comfort and Anna Webb. Mrs. D. C. Sutton, of Oxford, last year Secretary of our State Federation, was also a member of this fraternity. Eva Webb is now Mrs. S. L. Dodd, the leader of the philanthropic work of our club, the gracious mistress of a handsome and hospitable home.

Mary Comfort is now Mrs. Leonard, a widow and one of the best loved teachers in our school. She is not at present an active member of our club, but we still claim her as our own.

Anna Boyd, now Mrs. Ellington (also a widow) like the other two has lived up to the aim of the society:—"to be women of character and culture, liberal in thought, gracious in manner, earnest in work, true in friendship."

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The Club of Current Events of Tampa intends to issue a club edition of one of their home papers in the near future. This is an arduous but usually a most successful means of raising money. In such good hands success is assured.

THE V. I. A. of Crescent City proposes for their work this coming winter adding a library and reading room to their attractive club house. The genial president, Mrs. Preston, has just returned from a visit from her old home, Indianapolis, where she absorbed many new and helpful ideas for club work.

THE Woman's Club of Jacksonville will open the season of 1904-5 with a bazaar, "The Feast of Days." There will be booths to represent the different days of the week. Monday booth—wash-day, Tuesday—ironing day, etc., articles appropriate for each day will be for sale at the various booths.

Testing the Guest Room.

A THOUGHTFUL woman, after arranging the linen and towels in her guest room, had a vague uneasiness that something might have been forgotten which would add to her coming visitor's comfort, and it occurred to her to "visit herself" preceding her friend's arrival. The next morning she moved into the guest room the articles she would have been likely to bring with her on a visit and took up her abode. Her first need was for silk to mend her gloves, but instead of going to her own complete work basket in the next room, she bought a fresh supply and began fitting up a work basket for the exclusive use of the guest. On her way down town she ripped off a few inches of dress braid, which suggested the purchasing of some heavy cotton thread, besides cards of assorted hooks and eyes, and a piece of tape. She resolutely duplicated everything which she was tempted to go to her own work basket to find. The second night, on coming home late from a lecture, she decided that a hot water bag must be included in the list of essentials, so the next day one was hung upon a peg of the guest room closet. She found that a cracker was a very nice thing to have on hand at night, and might prove a great blessing to the guest who would hesitate to ask for one when going to bed late, so a note was made that the room was to be provided with a tin box of crackers upon the day of the visitor's arrival. Court plaster and a new card of hairpins were added before the week ended, and knowing that newcomers often have hours of wakefulness among strange surroundings, she also provided that most delightful aid to comfort, a candle lamp with a strong reflector—making reading in bed a joy. On the same stand which held the candle she placed some small volumes of essays, two volumes of verse, one humorous book, and a popular novel or two. In fact, she supplied a book for almost every mood. At the close of the week the room had gained an air of comfort and hominess which most guest rooms entirely lack. It was not money that brought about the magical effect, but thought. The total expense amounted to but a few dollars.—FLORENCE LARRABEE LATTIMORE in *Good Housekeeping*.

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Late Hours.

IN regard to keeping late hours, I am confident that this one thing undermines more nervous systems than we have any idea of. I believe if everyone would make it a rule to be in bed by 10 o'clock, nervous breakdowns would be greatly reduced. Keeping late hours is largely a matter of habit. We get accustomed to sitting up until 11 or even 12, perhaps, feeling that if we go to bed earlier, we either will not go to sleep promptly, or will awake early the next morning. This might be for a time, but it would not be long before the habit of early retiring would be established, and we should have just so much more stored-up nerve force for each day's work. We must think of our nerve force as a bank account, which we want to keep adding to, using only the surplus, and leaving the principal intact.—Helen West Cooke, M. D., in *Good Housekeeping*.

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The Humming Bird's Song.

I'M a merrie little hummer,
Gayly flitting through the summer,
Touching lightly the maiden's hair;
Now here, now there and everywhere;
Snatching a kiss from the rose's lips,
Quaffing eagerly as the bee sips
Deep adown in the lily's bell,
Tinkling sweets in the fairy dell.
I'm a merrie little hummer,
List'ning to the brooklet's murmur.
Darting in amongst the midges,
Nestling softly in the sedges,
Flashing through the softest azure,
Bent upon the greatest pleasure,
Out and in with flutt'ring glee
Lightly swaying in greenwood tree.
Am I not a merrie hummer,
Thus to spend a lovely summer?
Greeting my mate with gladsome cheer,
My tiny birdlings hovering near.—
Always, ever, upon the wing,
Whisking, flying with whir and swing,
As evetide nears back to my nest.
Folding my wings, I sink to rest.

Sheffield, Mass.

MRS. L. H. JENKINS.

A Story of Virginia Dare.

THIS paper is supposed to have been found by the Indians, and restored to Governor White on his return from England.

The chilly first of the autumn moonlight touched me with a grewsome fear; a dull and misty fear; a strange and nervous feeling, as of impending danger, hitherto unknown to me before, for I, in the home-land, now so many miles away, had known no fear. From whence came this feeling I knew not, for its approach was not direct, like the steady tramp of men, marching down the hill-slope, clad in the merry plaids of Scotland; nor did it resemble the "Lillies of France" crested on a war-ship, sailing out in bold relief against the blueness in the blending of the sky and sea.

It was as vague and far-away as was the cloud upon the horizon, but we were fast approaching that cloud.

Calmly, steadily, and without fear, the white ship Eleanor was advancing upon that new and mysterious country, the Western hemisphere.

That this piece of gray and distant mist should turn out to be a verdant soil, rich with the autumn harvest, and, for many moons, my Elinor's and mine own abiding place, I knew not when I sank down, weak and weary, upon the quarter-deck, to rest and compose my addled brains, for a brief half-watch, ere I heard the call "All hands up, trim your sails, and make ready for the night."

I could almost feel the plucking of my brows, as with shaded eyes, I looked upon the silver crestings of the deep, and thought me of the happy past; of the last May-day in England, when I had wooed and won fair Elinor White for my mate.

How sweet was the perfume of the honey-flowers in her hair; how dear to my heart that love-look in her eyes, which is as strong and true to-day as then, though 'twas six months ago, and she is now my dame.

As I sat thus, dreaming of the merry past, fearing for the uncertain future in this wild country towards which we were so fast approaching, I felt a sweet presence near me, the brushing as of an angel's wing upon my hair; I turned like one in a dream and saw her standing there—a very angel, in sooth, of sweetness, of purity, and of all goodness, looked she.

Coming to me at that hour, and in the moonlight, which I think at times is truer than the sunlight, and gives us a

clearer insight into the depth and beauty of that strong and mystic feeling men call *Love*, for it seemed to me I had never loved so well before, or saw her half so beautiful as then. And with my awakened senses came a definite explanation of the presence of the unknown guest which had so upset me; that strange and unnamed fear which had come upon me when I first beheld the cloud rising slowly and distinctly betwixt us and the setting sun.

"Why mope you here alone, my Harve? Know you not that Father and the men are watching in the west, thinking they have found the shore, the land of promise, and of wealth; come let us climb up and join them. I would not look through the sea-glasses until you had come."

My Elinor was strong and brave, and her true heart saw no fear in the future, and the hopes of what the months would bring. For very love, I hid my face that she might not see the trouble there. Together we mounted high upon the topmost landing, where our Governor White stood, glass in hand, his face aglow with triumph, and in his eyes that happy twinkle which makes all men his friends.

"Come, Harve, my son, and see. There it lies before us, and to-morrow we shall take possession of the New Land in the name of the Virgin Queen."

How well do I remember that last night on ship-board; with what gay songs and merry music did we while away the hours till dawn, for wine was free, and many a lad was deep within his cups. Sir Richard Greenville was as generous and light-hearted a master as ever there was on board a brig; o'er fond of the cup himself, he was ever lenient to that weakness.

I stood apart when the wine got thickest in the crowd;—not but what I liked the cup far too well of yore, and would not trust myself too near, for love of Elinor kept me sober, while I longed to drown my ghastly fears, and thus light-hearted, join in the merry song, but it must not be, for in loving her I had tried to keep up to her mark.

It was on a clear and frosty day, just at noon tide, that we cast anchor, and brought our boat ashore upon the sandy beach which lay glistening before us, like so many diamonds, in the warmth of the October sunshine.

My dame was the first to rest her shapely foot upon the sand, sinking shoe-mouth deep, and laughing back at my dry face when the sea-water closed about her slender ankles.

Right on up, for the level plain, she climbed, and I after her.

Had the wild men been about, which perchance they might have been, for so like the woods are they that one must look well to tell a moving man from a swaying tree, they would have been awed, to silent fear to see a creature so lovely and so fair as was my Elinor on that day, come bounding up the hill, with her pink scarf blowing in the winds, and her hair adown, and about her, like a "cloth of gold," and the red coming and going in her face. How glad she was, and I, in her gladness, forgot my creepy feelings of the eve before.

CHAPTER II.

It was in the year 1587, late in September, that I stood and watched the peerless eagle of the deep, our own good ship, Ellinor, sail away, back to England, with the Governor White upon her, and a third of the men who had come over with the Roanoke Colony. For times might be hard in the coldness of the winter, though, in South, we had fared well in the little island of the South, yet the abundance of our stores was diminished by more than half,

and, by going now, a returning could be made ere December's heaviest weather came upon us.

'Twas just three years ago that we had set sail down the Thames, with hopeful hearts, and trusting in the fabulous tales of gold that was to be found in more than plenty in this happy land,—for happy the past years had indeed been for me, though gold came only after hard labor, and not much at that, except that Elinor, with her heart of gold, had found a nugget lying in a stream-bed washed 'neath the Falls, whither she had gone to rinse the tiny clothes of our little one, who came to us in the early spring, and whose coming had added much to the joy of our home.

I had set my heart upon a son, to help me hew the logs, and clear and till the soil, and grow up with the Colony, a learned man amongst us all; strong and brave, a leader perchance, a governor, and representative of her Majesty in the Colonies of the Virgin Land.

But 'twas not so to be, for I, returning late one eve from the great woods to the north, with my gun upon my shoulder, and a gamebag heavy with the feathered creatures of the air, was met near my cabin door by Mistress Martha Alvin, and a few more of the goodly dames of Roanoke, all breathless with the important tidings that "a little one had come to live with us." I had no thought beyond love and fear for my Elinor, and, forgetting all my weariness, I dropped gun and gamebag, and with a few long strides, I crossed the clearing at a bounding pace, and was within our door.

Then I stopped, for both love and fear did so fill my heart it took my breath away; I seemed to feel myself to rise up, in the thinness of the air, and circling high among the stars, a most strange and delightful feeling as of angels' wings about my head; then a silver voice came floating through the air, near, yet far it sounded, but with all sweetness:—

"Why, Harve, have you no word of welcome for the little one? Come, let us give thanks together for this fair gift of a daughter."

Then back to me my reeling senses came at the sounding of her voice, and I saw my young and lovely dame lying back in pallid happiness upon the pillows, on the rude couch against the wall, which mine own hammer had fashioned there, and which her dainty fingers had lately painted white, that it the more fitting might be to receive the sacred gift. And so it was a little innocence, a tiny rose-bud of a daughter, truly a gift from the angels, and not a son, the governor born that I had pictured in my dreams; for a half-second I was covered with dismay;—a daughter, a little girl, to grow up in the wilderness, among the rude huts and ruder people! Then, from out her very helplessness, there came a greater rush of tenderness, a stronger, deeper love.

"'Tis well," I said, with glistening eyes,— "a daughter let it be; 'tis better so, for her presence will ever keep me from the roughness of the backwoodsmen; will instill a gentler, purer life amongst us all."

"Let us, then," said Elinor, "call her Virginia, in memory of the Queen, in honor of this glorious land, and of our own dear, happy home."

And "Virginia" we have called her from that day; Virginia Dare, the first of England's children born across the waves. She was six months old that eve when we stood together and watched the ship depart. Ellinor's golden lashes were brushed with tears, but she spoke no word of sorrow when she saw her Father go, only gave to

him her nugget, saying, "Buy something nice and warm for Baby, for she must have the best that is going for her christening clothes; for myself it does not matter; take the rest and let it go to help out the necessities of the people here in Roanoke; and be sure to return, my Father, ere the sun begins to fall, for the Indians will be bolder when they know that you are gone."

She was right, for scarcely had the last white sail sunk beneath the level of the sea, and I was busy with my axe, felling pine trees in the woods, softly humming to myself, in an undertone, the lullabies which came so softly floating from our cabin door, when I heard a stealthy footstep stealing lightly over the crimson leaves.

Quickly turning, I saw him dart behind a black-gum tree. There I stood and waited, with a firm and steadfast look, determined not to be outdone by an Indian scout. 'Twas not many minutes ere he came forth from behind the tree, advancing with a pleasant and easy motion; a stout young brave, scarce twenty years had he seen, and, but for the scanty supply of his dress, was not ill-looking.

I, being Governor White's son-in-law, and often acting as his substitute in dealing with the neighboring tribes of Indians, had learned something of their signs and lingo, and was better known to them than most men of our Colony. As he drew near he recognized me in the gathering dusk, and made the sign of friendship, from his forehead to his right hand, then to his foot; which I, with a nod and smile, received, but with an inward misgiving,—for I was still in doubt as to the amount of trust to be put in the Red men.

"Look-ee, Paleface," he turned and pointed to the North, "there is a mighty tribe of the dark Black-faces coming a-down the river, to lay waste your homes and kill your friends. Is it not you, stranger, who has within your wigwam a young fair-faced squaw and a tiny pappoose. They will put you on the pile of your own big fire, and the gentle spirit, they say, shall be their own."

"Oh!" said I, "indeed, but we have many men; and the spirit-guns work both fast and far; I will defend my loved ones with my life."

"No, stranger, you know not the vastness of their numbers, or the cruelty of the black nation,—come, and unite with us; we will shelter and protect thee; come to Croatan, we are many and our bucks are brave; to us you were ever gracious, giving much, but taking little, at the hunting-ground."

All of this he said, more with head and hands, and often feet, than tongue, for he was most graceful in all things but speech, and I saw truth and friendship in his eyes.

CHAPTER III.

'Twas in December's coldest weather, on a dark and lowering day, that I stood upon the bare and desolate shore, and looked afar,—looked with hope and looked with fear, for the coming of the good ship Ellinor White.

Many weary weeks had passed since that bright September eve, when together, we had watched her go sailing boldly forth, like a great swan, on the deep. But now 'twas time she was returning, for in the drear November, half our men were ill with fever; and my Ellinor, her rounded figure worn to a shadow, her sweet face all white with pain, had stood often by the bedside of the sick, and the dead,—making soft the dying pillow, soothing the aching head, thinking not of herself, but caring ever for the Babe.

Six weeks ago we had numbered thirty-three,—now you could not find fifteen. Although at first I had scorned the

warning of our dusky friends across the bay, and sent word to the fiery Iroquois that death would be their doom should they dare to visit us, yet, now, with the smallness of our number, and the weakness of the men, I grew faint with fear, when I thought of the future—of the many days of winter. My heart was sore within me, for, try as try I did, I could not keep that hungry look from out the faces that I loved.

Wearily I sat me down upon a gray and mossy rock to gather up my wits for reflection, for I knew not where to turn; no hope saw I in the months that would intervene ere the glad spring leaves greeted us again.

The darkness of the night had gathered thick and fast about me, and the winter stars looked down upon me with a cold, metallic glitter as if in very mockery of my sorrow. I sat and thought, and thought, until my brain was near to reeling; turning and twisting with this and that, every plan and every hope was followed by a deadly fear, until, at last, after much perplexity, I determined 'twould be best that we, fifteen strong, embark for the mainland, and, as best we could, make our way through the cypress forests to Croatan.

Virginia, fair and dimpling, happily smiling at the waves, blessed time of infancy, was delighted at the change from the dark and lonely cabin to the bright and glistening sea; for though often her mother had been cold and hungry, Virginia, lying wrapped in blankets soft and warm, had slept the dreary days away.

When we first did start from our island home, my dame Elinor, with that thoughtful sweetness, so true a part of herself as was the shading of her gentle and steady eyes, had traced in bold letters of black upon the footboard of Virginia's bed that one word "Croatan," which told whither we were bound, that was all; no sign of sorrow would she let be put beside it.

"For it would distress my father if he knew that his child was suffering hunger, while he, light-hearted, thus enjoyed kingly favor."

Of course she had her way; no other thought ever came to me, and thus it was that we departed with that single word behind us, nailed to a strong and gallant oak, left alone to greet them near the sea: our one and only hope for a future civilization, "Croatan."

Athens, Ala.

MARTHA G. MCCLELLON.

General Federation Notes.

THE following State Federations have held their annual meetings this fall, Colorado, Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Nebraska, New Jersey, New York, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania and Oregon.

The Georgia Federation will hold their meeting in Augusta Nov. 1-4.

The Texas Federation will meet in Houston Nov. 15-18.

It will be interesting to the readers of *The Keystone* to learn that South Carolina is represented on the Civil Service Reform Committee of the General Federation by Miss Adele Vanderhorst of Charleston; North Carolina is represented on the Child Labor Committee by Mrs. W. H. Hollowell, Goldsboro; Mississippi, on the Reciprocity Committee by Mrs. E. C. Coleman, Kosciusko, and Florida, on the Civic Committee by Miss Amelia Potter, Daytona.

On the Advisory Legislative Committee, which is made up of Ex-State Presidents, South Carolina is represented by Mrs. M. W. Coleman; North Carolina by Mrs. Lindsay Patterson; Mississippi by Mrs. Robt. E. Jones, and Florida by Mrs. W. W. Cummer.

The Eleventh Convention of the United Daughters of the Confederacy.

THE eleventh Convention of the U. D. C. was held in St. Louis, Mo., Oct. 4-8th, Mrs. A. T. Smythe of Charleston, S. C., the President, in the chair.

The meetings were held in Louisiana Hall, 911 Vandeventer Street, and the attendance was marked for its size, the claim being made that there were four hundred delegates present. In consideration of the fact that the meeting was being held in an Exposition City the faithful attendance of so many delegates was most gratifying as an expression of interest in the work of the Association.

The exercises were opened by the children of the Confederacy singing the "Bonnie Blue Flag" as they escorted the U. D. C. President, Mrs. Smythe, and the Missouri State President, Mrs. Rapley, into the Convention Hall.

The prayer was made by Rev. Jas. W. Lee, and addresses of welcome were made by Mrs. Rapley, Missouri State President, and Mrs. W. G. Moore, President of the First D. O. C. of Missouri. Mrs. Smythe made the response for the U. D. C. and it was with regret that many of the delegates heard of the recent affliction that had come to Mrs. P. G. Robert, the President of the M. O. E., McLure Chapter of St. Louis, in the death of her husband, Dr. Robert.

All the general officers were present and the vote of the Convention was declared by the Credential Committee to be 1375.

There were twenty-seven States on the roll, all of whom had representatives present except Oklahoma, Oregon and Utah. The three States casting the largest votes were Texas, 196; Virginia, 157, and Georgia, 116. From the Secretary's report it was learned that 846 charters had been issued, of these 19 were reported as dead Chapters, leaving 827 Chapters on the roll.

Ninety-six new charters had been issued 1903-1904, and 2533 certificates of membership. From these facts the numerical strength of the order may be estimated at 32,225 members.

The President's report was a most systematic and careful presentation of the condition of the Association and its work in the past year, and the fact that she had it printed was of inestimable value to the Convention, enabling delegates to refer from time to time to the various recommendations made in it and especially points of interest which afterwards came up for discussion. The report covered these points: A plea for the dignity and strength of the Division, a tribute to Gen. Gordon and Mrs. F. A. Olds, President North Carolina Division, the Davis Monument, the recommendation of committees on jurisprudence for each Convention; a Committee on Stationery who should supply General Officers with such and be able to supply Division Chapters and individuals with U. D. C. stationery at suitable prices. A Committee on By-Laws and a Committee on Minutes.

The report also reviewed the complaints about the delay in publishing the minutes, the History of the Counterfeit Crosses of Honor, and the questions which arise from the still unsettled differences in the Ohio Division. It will be seen that this report is of great value in considering the active workings of the Order.

The State reports were well within the time limit and were full or helpful, enthusing suggestions.

California reported seven new Chapters in the past year, Illinois reported a Chapter organized.

Indian Territory was represented by a delegate in whose veins flowed the blood of a Cherokee Indian.

Louisiana was justly proud of her record along the lines of text books and claimed to have been the means of getting rid of nineteen objectionable text books in the schools.

The New Orleans Chapter reporting especially on a musical primer which had the additional objectionable verse to the "Star Spangled Banner." Mississippi's report, given in a most graceful and charming manner by Mrs. McDowell, State President, held the attention of the Convention in speaking of the splendid work at Beauvoir as a Home for Veterans.

Missouri made the proud claim of having on file 14,000 Rolls of Honor at the Richmond Museum. North Carolina did not present a report at this Convention, owing to the recent death of her beloved State President, Mrs. Olds, but a report will be printed in the 1904 minutes. A new Chapter in Nebraska, represented by a Young Mississippian who had organized out there with a membership of 32, was enthusiastically recognized, and Texas's report, given by Miss Daffan, the State President, set forth the great amount of work being accomplished by so large a membership. They celebrate a Texas Hero Day in March, and September 17th the anniversary of the Battle of Sharpsburg, at which battle Hood's Brigade took so prominent a part. South Carolinians can also take pride in this day, for there were South Carolina soldiers who were part of Hood's Brigade on that occasion. The Texas Daughters expect to erect a home to the widows of Confederate soldiers and are in charge of a Texas History Museum in the State Capitol.

A statue of Albert Sidney Johnston, now at the World's Fair, will be unveiled at Austin in January by the Texas Daughters. The Texas Division is sustained by six State papers with U. D. C. departments in them to promote interest in U. D. C. work. These Daughters are working for June 3rd as a legal holiday in Texas. This remark brought out the fact that the following States through their local Daughters have by their legislatures made Mr. Davis' birthday a legal holiday, Florida, South Carolina, Mississippi, Tennessee, Virginia, Louisiana, Georgia and Alabama. Virginia Division will buy Stonewall Jackson's Home for a Memorial Hospital, and their report showed that the Division had raised \$7,000 in the past year. The Richmond, Va., Chapter rejoices in a charter from the State of Virginia.

Space does not permit an enumeration of all the States' work, it has only been possible to make notes of special features here and there.

In the report from Kentucky the matter of lists of soldiers buried in that State brought up many interesting facts and Mrs. Andrew Lea, Louisville, Ky., the State Historian, has lists of soldiers buried in Kentucky which she will gladly send to any State President asking for such lists in order that lost graves may be found.

There is a list of 3,000 soldiers buried at Marietta, Ga., which can be furnished by the President of the Georgia Division.

A list from Camp Chase which will be supplied by the Columbus Chapter, and one at Staunton, Va., which that Chapter can also supply. This matter was one of great interest to the Convention, and those desiring to look over such lists are urged to correspond with these Chapters.

The report of the Davis Monument Committee was as usual one of the most vital subjects. The report was made

by Mrs. McCullough of Virginia, who stated that the City Council of Richmond had donated the site and \$1,000 for the monument, and that the total amount now in the hands of the treasurer was \$67,403.30. The U. D. C. made their annual contribution of \$1,000, and then the discussion of the sub committees on Buttons and Sheppard pictures came before the Convention.

The Button report showed that Texas, Mississippi, South Carolina, Arkansas, and Louisiana through her Memorial Association had each taken 2,000 Buttons and the Badges, and the Committee considered this subject closed.

In regard to the Sheppard Pictures there is over \$3,000 invested in 4,000 sets still unsold. It was advised that each State Division take 100 sets of these pictures and try to sell them.

South Carolina, California and Ohio each offered to take these 100 sets, and other States will quickly follow in this matter. The Committee gives the States two years to dispose of the pictures. The Davis Monument Committee also reported that Maryland had been made satisfied with the design of the Monument, and that the History of the Confederate Memorial Association recently published by Mrs. Behan of New Orleans had been given to the Association for the benefit of the Davis Monument. This book is a most valuable acquisition to any library of Confederate records, and now that it is for sale for the Davis Monument it should appeal more than ever to the attention of Confederates everywhere. The morning of Oct. 6th was given over to the memorial services for General Gordon and deceased members of the Association, the exercises being conducted by Rev. Dr. Cannon. The hymn, "Nearer, My God, to Thee," was sung and appropriate prayers were offered.

The names of Miss Winnie Davis and Mrs. Margaret McClure of St. Louis were especially mentioned, and the plea was made for a re-consecration of ourselves to the land we love. The Committee of the U. D. C. for resolutions on the death of General Gordon read their report at this session, this committee being composed of three ex-Presidents of the Association, Mrs. Rounsaville of Georgia, Mrs. Weed of Florida, and Mrs. Currie of Texas. Mrs. Cooley of Florida then read an epic on the Daughters of the Confederacy by Mrs. M. E. Drew of Florida, which had been written for this occasion.

Immediately after this service, the report of the History Committee came up. In the absence of Mrs. Jas. M. Garnett of Maryland, the chairman of this committee, Miss Mary B. Poppenheim of South Carolina, a member of the committee, read Mrs. Garnett's report which was received with much approval and applause. This report dealt with the needs for the true and accurate histories in the schools of the Country, brought out some interesting historical facts in connection with the history of slavery and had appended to it a list of a hundred and ten books which were recommended as suitable and desirable for Southern libraries.

A conference of State Histories or their representatives was called by this committee in order that the History Work of the U. D. C. might become more unified.

As a result of this conference, the following resolutions were presented to the Association:

First, that the History Committee be used as a Reciprocity Bureau between State Historical Committees for the purpose of exchange of historical papers. These papers to be sent to the Chairman of the U. D. C. History Committee and registered by her.

That State historians be requested to send reports of their State Historical work to the Chairman of the History Committee by July 1st of each year, and that Children's Auxiliaries for instruction with a view to future admission into the Chapter be especially recommended.

From the Conference of Histories it was learned that Literary Sessions at State Conventions were being conducted in the following States: Texas, Virginia, South Carolina, Alabama and West Virginia, with possibly more to hear from.

The report of the Cross of Honor Custodian, Mrs. Gabbitt of Georgia, and the Committee's report by Mrs. C. B. Stone of Texas, brought out the discussion of the frailty of the attachment of the Cross. It was finally decided to increase the price of the Cross so as to secure a firm and substantial make. The question of the need of a Cross in an emergency was discussed and referred to the Committee on Rules for Cross, who were instructed to formulate rules for such occasions. The subject of Crosses for descendants was fully explained, showing that those Chapters who had already advertised in conformity with the rules of the Committee were now in a position to bestow the crosses on descendants. The Custodian stated that 42,500 crosses had been ordered since 1900, and these had been used by Chapters. The subject of the supposed counterfeit cross was much discussed and satisfactorily explained, as they were merely Reunion Souvenirs for the Dallas and New Orleans Reunions, and were not *fac similes* of the Cross of Honor.

Mrs. Schuyler of New York created quite a little discussion by moving that a fellowship of one hundred dollars be offered in Teacher's College, Columbia University, New York, for the best essay on a subject connected with the War between the States, this fellowship to be open to the white students of the College. However, the motion was carried, and later on in the meeting Mrs. Schuyler withdrew her suggestion until a future time, when the Davis Monument should have been completed. The Ritual for future Conventions of the U. D. C. was withdrawn, and the Committee on "Words for Dixie," asked for another year for their work.

The Beauregard Monument in charge of the Louisiana Division was endorsed, as was also the work of the Ohio "Daughters" at Camp Chase.

Several gentlemen spoke words of greeting to the Convention, such as Mr. Childs of New York; Mr. Gaiennie of St. Louis, Mr. Allen of the "*Southern Sentinel*," and Col. Knaus of Camp Chase fame. By special resolution Col. Knaus was made an Honorary Associate Member of the Association. Mrs. Jefferson Davis was made Honorary President General of the U. D. C., which office was created for her alone, and should cease to exist at her death, and Mrs. Keller of Arkansas was elected one of the Honorary Presidents of the Association.

The Historical Souvenir Committee, through Mrs. Cantrill of Kentucky, its Chairman, made its report in regard to the plates. An appropriation of \$650 was given this Committee with power to order the Jefferson Davis platter and the Winnie Davis plate. The proceeds to go to the Davis Monument fund. The election of officers resulted in the unanimous re-election of all the officers. The salaries of the officers of Recording Secretary, Treasurer and Custodian of the Cross were much discussed, and the Convention finally settled on fixing the salaries as follows: Five hundred dollars per annum to the Recording Secretary and Treasurer each, and four hundred and fifty dollars to

the Custodian of the Cross. The sums to cover expenses to the annual Conventions of the U. D. C. The President appointed the following committees according to her suggestions in her annual report: Jurisprudence, Chairman, Mrs. C. B. Stone, Texas, Mrs. V. F. McSherry, Miss A. C. Benning; By-Laws Chairman, Mrs. W. W. Read, New York, Mrs. E. D. Taylor and Mrs. Stockbridge.

Revising and correcting minutes: Mrs. M. O. Patterson, South Carolina, Chairman. These committees are to be appointed each year by the President to facilitate the work of the Association.

The amendments for the Constitution did not come up until Saturday night, and were disposed of as follows:

In regard to Children's Chapters, the limit of 25 members for a second Chapter in a town; the name of the Recording State Secretary on Certificates; time of election of officers and time of dues were all tabled.

The ones on two Chapters in one town and different qualifications for officers and members were withdrawn while the one on the subject of the impossibility of destroying a State Division when once formed by U. D. C. was adopted.

An invitation to hold the next Convention in San Francisco, Cal., given by Mrs. Vorhees of California, and one to Louisville, Ky., by Mrs. Basil Duke of Kentucky, were received with much pleasure, and by a vote of 680 to 600, San Francisco was selected as the next place of meeting, the time to be decided upon by the Executive Committee.

The social features of the St. Louis Convention were varied and most attractive. Each day from one to two the Missouri Division U. D. C. served a beautiful course luncheon in the Louisiana Hall to the entire Convention. This entertainment was a source of great comfort and pleasure to the delegates, and promoted much sociability. On Thursday evening, October 6th, the Memorial Association entertained the U. D. C. at a handsome reception in the Woman's Club. This was a most elaborate social function, with delightful refreshments and charming surroundings for the Woman's Club is especially planned for such entertainments, and was a fitting setting for a brilliant gathering. Friday was U. D. C. Day at the Exposition, and was given up entirely to the Fair. It seemed as if every Southern State was vying with every other one in doing honor to the Daughters of the Confederacy. From ten to eleven in the morning Tennessee opened her doors at the beautiful "Hermitage," from eleven to one Missouri entertained them in her building with music and recitations. It was regretted that President Francis could not be at this meeting owing to a misunderstanding. From two to three Louisiana opened the doors of the Cabildo to Daughters only and served delightful refreshments to over six hundred guests. Three to four found the San Francisco building extending a reception to the U. D. C., and Mrs. Voorhees with her gracious manner soon made all visiting U. D. Cs. feel at home in the City of the Golden Gate. Four to six was a time given up to the most elaborate of the social functions of the day, when the Board of Lady Managers tendered a reception to the U. D. C. The appointments of the entertainment were delightful, but the Daughters were pressed for time and found a hearty welcome with music, dancing and refreshments in the Kentucky Building from six to eight.

Probably nowhere else did the Daughters feel more at home than in Kentucky's World's Fair Home, and although they knew of warm and hearty welcome awaiting them near by, Kentucky's hospitality was sweet and cordial. Texas

entertained in her beautiful Star building from eight until eleven, and the proverbial Texas bigness and generosity were not lacking in her entertainment. It was with a mixture of awe and reverence that many Daughters closed their day at the Fair by a visit to beautiful and memory lit Beauvoir. As they wander through its halls or stood on its broad piazza their hearts were full and welled over with love and veneration for that splendid man around whose memory is entwined the valor and the heroism of the Confederacy.

The celebration of the Veiled Prophets twenty-sixth advent into St. Louis occurred on Oct. 5th, and on that evening Mrs. H. N. Spenser invited the Convention to view the parade from her garden, she having provided suitable seating arrangements for the occasion, thus adding another social courtesy to the already long list that the Daughters had received.

It was to be regretted that the Headquarters Hotel, the Hamilton, failed to keep its promises to the delegates according to its printed circulars. Many women coming from far distant States and alone were much disconcerted over the arrangements they found by which delegates who had engaged rooms months before in the hotel were farmed out, as it were, on private families in the neighborhood.

It is to be hoped that at future Conventions the U. D. C. will secure themselves in such a manner with the Headquarters Hotel as to prevent the recurrence of the discomforts and inconveniences produced by the Hamilton.

The Convention in St. Louis was one of the largest and most enthusiastic ever held by the United Daughters of the Confederacy, and the indications are that the Association has passed out of its formative stage and is establishing itself on a broad and firm basis as one of the great patriotic societies of America. It has its place in American life and a grave responsibility rests upon it to sustain that position with honor and dignity to the name it bears.

Its accomplishments in the past have been great and far reaching, and under the wise and judicious rulings of its leaders it is preparing to press forward into fields of even more earnest endeavor.

M. B. P.

It has been said that Helen Keller is the wonder of the Twentieth Century, and from the crowd that greeted her in the Hall of Congresses at the St. Louis Exposition on October 18th, one would judge that this remarkable woman was indeed something that the American people were eager to see. The honor of a special day was accorded by the Exposition Company to Helen Keller alone of all living celebrities, and the company of blind mutes who assembled in the Hall where she was to address the assembly were most touching, expressing as they did by their presence there the hope that life for them might be brighter and fuller through the wonderful path that Helen Keller had trod to a fuller enjoyment of the beauty and charm of this world.

In no department of the world's educational endeavor has there been greater studies made in the past thirty years than in the training of deaf mutes and the patience and gentleness which seem a necessary equipment for this educator's field are qualities much to be desired in all trainers of the young. This training has brought brightness, intelligence and happiness into many a life darkened by the physical infirmities of lack of one or more of the five senses. Truly we who pass by might learn with much benefit to say with Helen Keller, "It is soul, not sense that makes life worth living."

SOUTH CAROLINA DIVISION, UNITED DAUGHTERS OF THE CONFEDERACY.

"Animis opibusque parati."

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45 Chapters—1,700 Members.

PROGRAM for the Ninth Annual Convention of the South Carolina Division U. D. C., Orangeburg S. C.

Nov. 29—Reception 8.30—11 P. M.

Nov. 30—Convention called to order at 10 o'clock.

Prayer.

Address of Welcome from City,, address of welcome from Chapter.

Response.

Lunch from 1-2 o'clock.

Evening, D. A. R. Reception, 7.30-8.30.

8.30-11, Literary Historical Session.

Dec. 1st, Convention called to order at 10 o'clock.

Prayer.

Unfinished Business.

New Business.

Election of Officers.

Lunch from 1-2 o'clock.

Reception in the evening.

THE South Carolina Division U. D. C. was represented at the St. Louis Convention U. D. C. by the President of the United Daughters of the Confederacy, Mrs. A. T. Smythe of Charleston, and twenty-nine women, delegates from various Chapters. In the absence of the President of the Division, Mrs. A. W. Burnet of Camden and of the 1st Vice-President, Mrs. Conner of Charleston, Mrs. J. R. Vandiver of Anderson, the 2nd Vice-President, was Chairman of the South Carolina Delegation. South Carolina cast a vote of 73, fourteen Chapters not having representation from the Credential Committee's report, namely: Cheraw, Darlington, Edisto Island, Laurens, Old Point, Fort Mill, Bennettsville, Winthrop College, "Sarah Howe," Columbia; "Winnie Davis" and Moses Wood," Gaffney; Union, Easley and Bishopville. In all votes by State roll call the South Carolina vote was cast solid except in the case of the place of meeting, when the vote was divided, 57 for San Francisco and 16 for Louisville.

The following are the names of those attending from South Carolina: Mrs. A. T. Smythe, Charleston; Mrs. J. R. Vandiver, Anderson; Mesdames W. C. McGowan, C. P. Poppenheim, Henry Cheves, R. Hunt, S. G. Stoney; Misses Mary B. Poppenheim, S. A. Smyth, L. Lesesne, A. Williams, H. Barnwell, Charleston; Mrs. Richard O'Neale, Columbia; Mrs. M. O. Patterson, Miss Hudson, Greenville; the Misses Moses and Miss Maud Solomons, Sumter; Mrs. Tupper, Aiken; Mrs. Carrison, Camden; Mrs. I. D. Quattlebaum, Mrs. Barton, Mrs. R. E. Ligon, Mrs. C. M. McClure, Anderson; Mrs. J. R. McWhirter, Miss Marie McWhiter, Miss Etta Hames, Jonesville; Mrs. A. R. Smith, Rock Hill; Mrs. R. Y. McBeth, Pinopolis; Mrs. Ella Brooks, Greenwood.

The detailed account of the Convention will be found in this issue under a separate heading.

COL. TRIBBLE who is collecting the Confederate Rolls for South Carolina under the authority of the State has given this department the following list which he very much needs. Any Daughters of the Confederacy who can supply the missing Rolls or copies of them will confer a great favor by notifying this department.

Records missing in the following Companys' Rolls in Infantry:

- 1st Regt. S. C. V. Infantry, Col. Hagood.
- Co. B, F, G, H and K, Col. Hagood.
- 1st Regt. Regulars, Col. Dunavent.
- Co. A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, K, Col. Dunavent.
- 9th Regt. S. C. V. Infantry, Col. J. D. Blonding.
- Co. A, B, C, D, E, F, I, K, Col. J. D. Blonding.
- 20th Regt. S. C. V. Infantry, Col. S. M. Boykin.
- Co. B.
- 23d Regt. S. C. V. Infantry.
- Co. D. Capt. E. O. Murdon, Co., Col. L. M. Hatch.
- 24 Regt. S. C. V. Infantry, Capt. A. E. Bowers' Co.
- Co. D and F. Thos. K. Ligon Co. *Col. Ellison Capers.*

Cavalry.

- 1st Regt. S. C. Cavalry, Col. J. L. Black.
- Co. H, Capt. R. C. Jones.
- 2d Regt. Cavalry, Col. M. C. Butler.
- Co. F, Capt. W. L. Wallace.
- 2nd Regt. Artillery, Co. A., Lt. Col. A. D. Fredericks.

There are now on file in Col. Tribble's office 859 rolls with an aggregate number of 67,819 names. These rolls have been in a process of collection since 1863 when the State of South Carolina set Prof. Rivers at work collecting them. The collection passed on to General Manigault, thence to Gen'l Kershaw, thence to Col. Hugh Farley, thence to Col. Jno. P. Thomas, and finally into the care of Col. M. P. Tribble.

Florida Division U. D. C.

THE Florida Division's contribution to the Davis Monument fund has been \$1224.10.

At the State Convention of the Florida Division the following committee was appointed to edit Division news for *The Keystone*. Mrs. M. E. Drew, Mrs. F. Wandell, Miss Margaret Walke, Jacksonville. Miss Eleanor Semmes, a grand niece of the great admiral, was present in the Florida delegation at the St. Louis Convention and was introduced to the Convention by Mrs. J. W. Tench.

The following were present at the St. Louis Convention as delegates from Florida: Mesdames R. C. Cooley, H. E. Stockbridge, W. T. McNelty, W. H. Bessent, H. H. McCreary; J. N. Strobhar, J. W. Tench, G. K. Broome; C. C. Colclough, J. D. Stringfellow; J. C. Pebles, A. R. Harper; E. L. Greer; M. C. Drysdale, G. S. Merchant, Mrs. McMillan; the Misses McCall, Wells, Aycox, W. Boyer, Lucile Colclough.

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THOSE who follow every caprice of Fashion, as well as those who have only the usual desire to appear becomingly dressed, will find the November *Delineator* exceptionally interesting and suggestive, while in the matter of fiction and general literature an equally high standard is maintained.

Book Reviews.

"THE SEEKERS," by Harry Leon Wilson, the author of "*The Spenders*," is a very unique book and will bring forth a variety of opinions as to its power. It is undoubtedly a *strong* book and the characters are remarkably well handled—standing out as types of today. It is the story of the conflict of Faith and Reason—a dangerous and complicated subject to handle. The book is full of intensely thrilling passages and dramatic situations, romantic incidents as well as doctrinal arguments. The whole story is of intense human interest, beginning with the charming incidents of early childhood of the two brothers raised by their grandfather, a Presbyterian clergyman. It may be said to be the story of a high strong man searching for truth or the ideal—but in his search for awhile his reason is unhinged and in his attempts to solve certain questions he seems really blasphemous. To people who can feel that it is the struggle of a diseased mind to right itself it proves an interesting psychological problem. The book is beautifully illustrated by Rose Cecil O'Neill.

(Cloth, \$1.50. Doubleday, Page & Co., New York City.)

"THE LOVES OF EDWY," by Rose Cecil O'Neill, the well known illustrator, is an unusually interesting love story with unique characters. "*Jane*" is a wonderful creature and we shall always remember her even from her baby days. "*Juggs*" is another unique character, and the loss of his talent for drawing is an extremely interesting phenomenon. The central theme is the mystery and passion of love. Yet, while holding our attention as a fascinating romance, the chief merit of the novel lies in its varied treatment of the characters. Rose O'Neill's characters are as real as those of Dickens and as funny. She possesses to a marked degree the power of presenting the humor and pathos of childhood. The book is most attractively bound in brown cloth with blue and red illuminations, while the numerous illustrations add considerably to our interest.

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"THE TOMB OF BURNS," by William Watson, has recently been issued by John Lane in most attractive form as one of the series known as "*Flowers of Parnassus*." It is a real tribute to the human poet "*Burns*," and in rhythmic verse shows how he compared with other poets. It is a little volume of only 46 pages, one verse on a page, and a number of beautiful illustrations by D. Y. Cameron.

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"THE BOY COURIER OF NAPOLEON," by Wm. C. Sprague, the successful editor of the "*American Boy*," gives the history of the Louisiana Purchase in a most interesting story form. The facts in history are told in a simple, attractive style, which will at once appeal to all children. It will be especially interesting to the large number of boys and girls who attended the St. Louis Exposition, where they were constantly reminded of Napoleon and the Louisiana Purchase. Children prefer such books to histories, and the author, in his entertaining style and generally attractive form of the book, its illustrations, binding, etc., teaches history without the reader's being conscious of it. The exciting adventures make the book specially interesting to the average boy.

(Cloth, \$1.50, 350 pages. Lee and Shepard, Boston, Mass.)

"THE CHALLONERS," a new novel by E. F. Benson, the author of famous "*Dodo*," is a remarkably clever and well written book, fully sustaining Mr. Benson's reputation for originality and charm—in fact he is at his best in this story. It is an English love story, full of dramatic incidents, witty dialogues and real characters. "*The Challoners*" proves to be twin brother and sister whose lives are saddened by a stern, unsympathetic clergyman father. The son Martin's great love for music and the daughter "Helen's" devotion to an *unbeliever*, make complications which the father's nature cannot cope with. The book is thoroughly human with touches of sadness, enlivened by flashes of wit and cleverly contrived situations, holding our interest from beginning to the end. The story is told in an easy, fascinating style which simply carries us along.

(Cloth \$1.50. J. B. Lippincott Company, Philadelphia, Pa.)

"HISTORY OF THE CONFEDERATED MEMORIAL ASSOCIATIONS OF THE SOUTH," published by the Confederate Southern Memorial Association with Mrs. W. J. Behan of New Orleans, La., as its President, is one of the most valuable additions to American history. This volume, although hastily prepared, contains an account of the history of the various State memorial societies arranged in alphabetical order and profusely illustrated with pictures of the women prominent in their organization and the various monuments they have erected. Besides these records of the work of the women in the South just after the War, there is a valuable sketch of President Jefferson Davis by Hon. Chas. E. Fenner of New Orleans. Such books as these make the history of a people—the articles are written by women directly connected with the organizations described and are simply enumerations of facts. The proceeds of the sales of this book are to go to the Jefferson Davis Monument Fund, which is an additional reason why the volume should be in every Southern library. It has 318 pages, is well indexed and is attractively bound in Confederate colors—red and white.

"A LADDER OF SWORDS," by Sir Gilbert Parker, at once attracts our attention from the popularity of "The Right of Way" and other fascinating stories by the author. The present story is a love story of situations. Our interest is held all through the book and we marvel at the time of Queen Elizabeth, full of exciting intrigue and interesting the presentation of the character of Elizabeth. She is a real living woman and her surroundings are so pictured that for the time being we live in her reign. Although we are interested and the plot holds our attention, we feel that the author is not at his best, the real genius of his former books is lacking. It may be that we expect so much in the beginning from so well known an author that we have this feeling of disappointment. If the book carried the name of a new author we would at once pronounce it of marked ability.

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"OLD VOICES," by Howard Weeden, the author of "Bandanna Bal-lads" and "Songs of the Old South," will receive a hearty welcome, for Miss Weeden has a certain charm about her poems and pictures which endears her to all Southern people, and this new volume is quite up to the standard of her former work. Some of the poems are in negro dialect, which the author uses remarkably well, while others are sweet, charming little verses, giving one a suggestion of real Southern atmosphere. The negro portraits are a number of those which have already made Miss Weeden famous in this direction, and most of the pages of this attractive volume have elaborate borders and decorations by Cora Parker adding considerably to the appearance of the book. It is pre-eminently a "gift book."

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"KINDLY LIGHT," by Florence M. Kingsley, contains two touching, pathetic stories, "Kindly Light," and "A June Bride." Each one is told in a simple way and each deals with plain country people. The pathos of the home loving, simple old fashioned people, and the lasting love of a woman crazed by the deception of her sister are delicately handled. The little volume is very attractively illustrated, contains 108 pages and has a bright, homey binding, which suggests the tastes of the characters in its pages.

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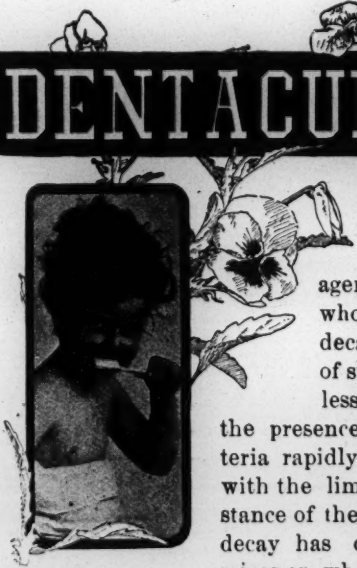
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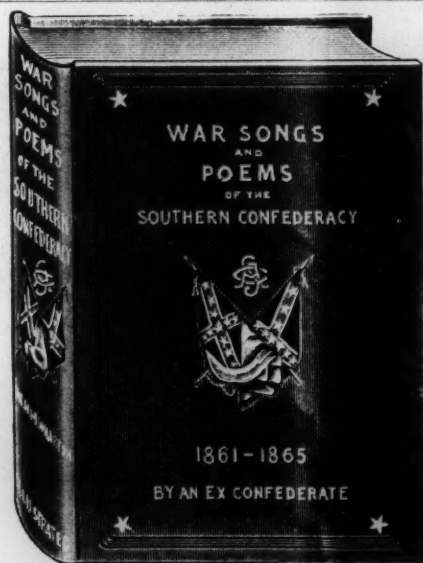
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